

Even though CW has lost favor to more modern modulation, for the low power, weak signal transmissions that amateurs do, especially with low or no gain antennas on this band, protection from overpowering wider signals such as SSB is needed. Otherwise, the long distance experimental work done with CW will be hampered by the use of the frequencies for idle chatting. The small spectrum set aside is not asking for much -- only the survival of experimentation.